



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/690,409	10/17/2000	Hans-Peter Wild	357153/0004	3320

26610 7590 09/18/2009
STROOCK & STROOCK & LAVAN LLP
180 MAIDEN LANE
NEW YORK, NY 10038

EXAMINER

TRUONG, THANH K

ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
----------	--------------

3721

MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE
-----------	---------------

09/18/2009

PAPER

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte HANS-PETER WILD and EBERHARD KRAFT

Application No. 09/690,409
Technology Center: 3700

Mailed: September 18, 2009

Before GLORIA HENDERSON, *Review Team Paralegal*
HENDERSON, *Review Team Paralegal*.

This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on August 31, 2009. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

EXAMINER'S ANSWER/GROUNDS OF REJECTION

The Examiner's Answer mailed June 9, 2009 is defective, since it states under the Grounds of Rejection that Claims 7-10 are rejected on the ground of.....as being unpatentable over claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15 and 17 of U.S. Paten No. 6, 681,547

An Amendment filed on April 11, 2008 canceled Claim 10. Appropriate correction is required, for clarification of the record.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is being electronically returned to the Examiner:

- 1) vacate the Examiner's Answer mailed June 9, 2009, and mail a Supplemental Examiner's Answer with the correct information for the claims under the Grounds of Rejection; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

/GJH/

Application No. 09/690,409

STROOCK & STROOCK & LAVAN LLP
180 MAIDEN LANE
NEW YORK, NY 10038